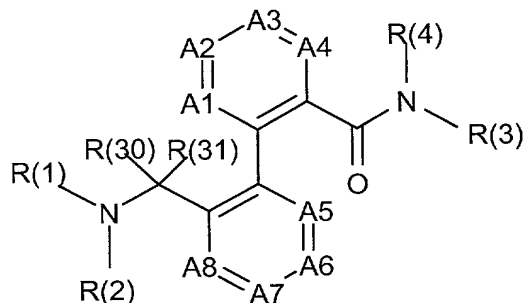


Patent claims

1. A compound of the formula I,



in which:

A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7 and A8

independently of one another are chosen from nitrogen, CH and CR(5), at least one of these groups being nitrogen and at least 4 of these groups being CH;

R(1) is C(O)OR(9), SO<sub>2</sub>R(10), COR(11), C(O)NR(12)R(13) or C(S)NR(12)R(13); wherein R(9), R(10), R(11) and R(12)

independently of one another are C<sub>x</sub>H<sub>2x</sub>-R(14);

where x is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, and

x cannot be 0 if R(14) is OR(15) or SO<sub>2</sub>Me;

R(14) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or 11 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>,

CH<sub>2</sub>F, CHF<sub>2</sub>, OR(15), SO<sub>2</sub>Me, substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl, substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl, substituted or unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl, substituted biphenyl, substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-containing heteroaromatic are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

R(15) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub> substituted phenyl or unsubstituted phenyl, wherein the substituted phenyl is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino; and

R(13) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms or CF<sub>3</sub>;

R(2) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms or CF<sub>3</sub>;

R(3) is C<sub>y</sub>H<sub>2y</sub>-R(16);

where y is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, and y cannot be 0 if R(16) is OR(17) or SO<sub>2</sub>Me;

R(16) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or 11 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>F, CHF<sub>2</sub>, OR(17), SO<sub>2</sub>Me, substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl, substituted or unsubstituted

furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl, substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-containing heteroaromatic are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino; and

R(17) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted 2-, 3- or 4-pyridyl, or unsubstituted 2-, 3- or 4-pyridyl,

where the substituted phenyl and substituted 2-, 3- or 4-pyridyl are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

or

R(3) is CHR(18)R(19);

where R(18) is hydrogen or C<sub>z</sub>H<sub>2z</sub>-R(16), where R(16) is defined as indicated above;

z is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R(19) is COOH, CONH<sub>2</sub>, CONR(20)R(21), COOR(22) or CH<sub>2</sub>OH;

R(20) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms, C<sub>v</sub>H<sub>2v</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>-phenyl or unsubstituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>-phenyl,

where the phenyl ring of the substituted  $C_WH_{2W}$ -phenyl is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  $CF_3$ ,  $NO_2$ , CN, COOMe,  $CONH_2$ , COMe,  $NH_2$ , OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

v is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

w is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

10 R(21) is hydrogen or alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms; and  
R(22) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms;

R(4) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms or  $CF_3$ ;

or

R(3) and R(4)

15 together are a chain of 4 or 5 methylene groups, of which one methylene group can be replaced by -O-, -S-, -NH-, -N(methyl)- or -N(benzyl)-;

R(5) is independently of one another chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  $CF_3$ ,  $NO_2$ , CN, COOMe,  $CONH_2$ , COMe,  $NH_2$ , OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl or methylsulfonylamino, where in the case that more than one of the radicals A1 to A8 have the meaning CR(5), the radicals R(5) are defined independently of one another.

R(30) and R(31)

independently of one another are hydrogen or alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms;

or

R(30) and R(31)

together are oxygen or a chain of 2 methylene groups;

30 or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of any such compounds in any ratio.

2. The compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein:

A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7 and A8

independently of one another are chosen from nitrogen, CH and CR(5), at least one

5 of these groups being nitrogen and at least 4 of these groups being CH;

R(1) is C(O)OR(9), SO<sub>2</sub>R(10), COR(11) or C(O)NR(12)R(13)

R(9), R(10), R(11) and R(12)

independently of one another are C<sub>x</sub>H<sub>2x</sub>-R(14);

where x is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; and

10 x cannot be 0 if R(14) is OR(15);

R(14) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3,  
4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, OR(15), substituted or  
unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl,  
substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl, substituted or  
15 unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl or a  
substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic  
having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

where substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl,  
substituted biphenyl, substituted furyl, substituted  
20 thienyl and the substituted N-containing  
heteroaromatic are each independently substituted  
by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  
CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe,  
NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms,  
25 alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms,  
dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and  
methylsulfonylamino;

R(15) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms,  
cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>,  
30 substituted phenyl or unsubstituted phenyl,

wherein the substituted phenyl is substituted by 1,  
2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>,  
NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH,  
alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy  
having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino,  
sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

R(13) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms  
or CF<sub>3</sub>;

R(2) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms or CF<sub>3</sub>;

10 R(3) is C<sub>y</sub>H<sub>2y</sub>-R(16);

where y is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, and

y cannot be 0 if R(16) is OR(17) or SO<sub>2</sub>Me;

15 R(16) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4,  
5, 6, 7, 8, 9, carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, OR(17), SO<sub>2</sub>Me, substituted or  
unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl,  
substituted or unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl  
or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having  
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

20 where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl,  
substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-  
containing heteroaromatic are each independently  
substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  
CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH,  
alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3  
25 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl  
and methylsulfonylamino;

R(17) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms,  
cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted  
phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted 2-, 3- or 4- pyridyl,  
30 or unsubstituted 2-, 3- or 4- pyridyl

where the substituted phenyl or substituted 2-, 3- or 4- pyridyl are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

or

R(3) is CHR(18)R(19);

where R(18) is hydrogen or C<sub>z</sub>H<sub>2z</sub>-R(16), where R(16) is defined as indicated above;

z is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R(19) is CONH<sub>2</sub>, CONR(20)R(21), COOR(22) or CH<sub>2</sub>OH;

R(20) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms, C<sub>v</sub>H<sub>2v</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>- phenyl, or substituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>- phenyl,

where the phenyl ring of the substituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>- phenyl is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

v is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

w is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R(21) is hydrogen or alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms; and

R(22) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms;

R(4) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms or CF<sub>3</sub>;

R(5) is independently of one another chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN,

COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms,

alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl,  
methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

R(30) and R(31)

independently of one another are hydrogen or alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon

5 atoms;

or

R(30) and R(31)

are a chain of 2 methylene groups;

10 or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of  
any such compounds in any ratio.

3. The compound as claimed in claim 2, wherein

A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7 and A8 independently of one another are chosen from

15 nitrogen, CH and CR(5), where at least one and at most two of these groups are

nitrogen and at least 4 of these groups are CH

or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of  
any such compounds in any ratio..

20 4. The compound as claimed in claims 1, wherein:

A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7 and A8

independently of one another are chosen from nitrogen, CH and CR(5),

where at least one and at most two of these groups are nitrogen and at least  
4 of these groups are CH;

25 R(1) is C(O)OR(9), SO<sub>2</sub>R(10), COR(11) or C(O)NR(12)R(13);

R(9), R(10), R(11) and R(12)

independently of one another are C<sub>x</sub>H<sub>2x</sub>-R(14);

where x is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4,

x cannot be 0 if R(14) is OR(15);

30 R(14) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3,  
4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, OR(15), substituted or



unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl, substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl, substituted or unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms;

where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl, substituted biphenyl, substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-containing heteroaromatic are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

R(15) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub> substituted phenyl or unsubstituted phenyl, wherein the substituted phenyl is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

R(13) is hydrogen

R(2) is hydrogen or alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms;

R(3) is CHR(18)R(19);

R(18) is hydrogen or C<sub>Z</sub>H<sub>2Z</sub>-R(16),

where R(16) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, OR(17), SO<sub>2</sub>Me, substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl,

substituted or unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl  
or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having  
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl,  
substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-  
containing heteroaromatic are each independently  
substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  
CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH,  
alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3  
or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl  
and methylsulfonylamino;

z is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R(19) is CONH<sub>2</sub>, CONR(20)R(21), COOR(22) or CH<sub>2</sub>OH;

R(20) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms,  
C<sub>v</sub>H<sub>2v</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>-phenyl, or unsubstituted  
C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>-phenyl

where the phenyl ring of the substituted C<sub>w</sub>H<sub>2w</sub>-  
phenyl is substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents  
chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe,  
CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4  
carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon  
atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and  
methylsulfonylamino;

v is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

w is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R(21) is hydrogen or alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms;

R(22) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms;

R(4) is hydrogen or alkyl having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

R(5) is independently of one another chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN,  
COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms,  
alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl,

methanesulfonyl or methanesulfonylamino;

R(30) and R(31)

independently of one another are hydrogen or methyl;

5 or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of any such compounds in any ratio.

5. The compound as claimed in claim 1, wherein:

A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7 and A8

10 independently of one another are chosen from nitrogen, CH and CR(5), where at least one and at most two of these groups are nitrogen and at least 4 of these groups are CH;

R(1) is C(O)OR(9), SO<sub>2</sub>R(10), COR(11) or C(O)NR(12)R(13);

where R(9), R(10), R(11) and R(12)

15 independently of one another are C<sub>x</sub>H<sub>2x</sub>-R(14);

x is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

R(14) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl, substituted or unsubstituted biphenyl, substituted or unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

20 where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl, substituted biphenyl, substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-containing heteroaromatic are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN, COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, 25 alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms,

dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and  
methylsulfonylamino;

R(13) is hydrogen;

R(2) is hydrogen or methyl;

5 R(3) is  $C_yH_{2y}-R(16)$ ;

where y is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; and

y cannot be 0 if R(16) is OR(17);

10 R(16) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, carbon atoms,  $CF_3$ , OR(17),  $SO_2Me$ , substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl, substituted or unsubstituted furyl, substituted or unsubstituted thienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted N-containing heteroaromatic having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms,

15 where the substituted phenyl, substituted naphthyl, substituted furyl, substituted thienyl and the substituted N-containing heteroaromatic are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  $CF_3$ ,  $NO_2$ ,  $OCF_3$ , CN,  $COOMe$ ,  $CONH_2$ ,  $COMe$ ,  $NH_2$ , OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl, methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

20 R(17) is hydrogen, alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms,  $CF_3$ , substituted phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted 2-, 3- or 4- pyridyl, or unsubstituted 2-, 3- or 4- pyridyl

25 where the substituted phenyl or substituted 2-, 3- or 4- pyridyl are each independently substituted by 1, 2 or 3 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  $CF_3$ ,  $NO_2$ , CN,  $COOMe$ ,  $CONH_2$ ,  $COMe$ ,  $NH_2$ , OH, alkyl  
30 having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, alkoxy having 1, 2,

3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl,  
methylsulfonyl and methylsulfonylamino;

R(4) is hydrogen or alkyl having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

R(5) is independently of one another chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CN,

5 COOMe, CONH<sub>2</sub>, COMe, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms,  
alkoxy having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, dimethylamino, sulfamoyl,  
methylsulfonyl or methylsulfonylamino;

R(30) and R(31)

independently of one another are hydrogen or methyl;

10 or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of  
any such compounds in any ratio.

6. The compound as claimed in claim 5, wherein:

A4 is nitrogen and A1, A2, A3, A5, A6, A7 and A8 independently of one another are  
15 chosen from CH and CR(5), where at least 5 of these groups are CH;  
or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of  
any such compounds in any ratio.

7. The compound as claimed in claim 6, wherein:

20 R(1) is C(O)OR(9), SO<sub>2</sub>R(10), COR(11) or C(O)NR(12)R(13);

where R(9), R(10), R(11) and R(12) independently of one another are  
C<sub>x</sub>H<sub>2x</sub>-R(14);

where x is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

25 R(14) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3,  
4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 carbon atoms, CF<sub>3</sub>, substituted phenyl,

unsubstituted phenyl, substituted pyridyl, or unsubstituted pyridyl

where the substituted phenyl and substituted pyridyl are  
each independently substituted by 1 or 2 substituents  
chosen from F, Cl, Br, I, CF<sub>3</sub>, OCF<sub>3</sub>, OH, alkyl having 1, 2 or  
30 3 carbon atoms or alkoxy having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

R(13) is hydrogen;

R(2) is hydrogen;

R(3) is  $C_yH_{2y}-R(16)$ ;

y is 0, 1 or 2;

R(16) is alkyl having 1, 2, 3 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms,  $CF_3$ , substituted phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted pyridyl, or unsubstituted pyridyl

where the substituted phenyl and substituted pyridyl are each independently substituted by 1 or 2 substituents chosen from F, Cl,  $CF_3$ , alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms and alkoxy having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

R(4) is hydrogen;

R(5) is independently of one another chosen from F, Cl,  $CF_3$ , CN, COOMe,  $CONH_2$ , COMe,  $NH_2$ , OH, alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms and alkoxy having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

15 R(30) and R(31)

independently of one another are hydrogen or methyl;

or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in a stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of any such compounds in any ratio.

20 8. The compound as claimed in claim 7, wherein:

R(1) is  $C(O)OR(9)$  or  $COR(11)$ ;

R(9) and R(11)

independently of one another are  $C_xH_{2x}-R(14)$ ;

where x is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R(14) is cycloalkyl having 5 or 6 carbon atoms substituted phenyl, or unsubstituted phenyl

where the substituted phenyl is substituted by 1 or 2 substituents chosen from F, Cl, Br, I,  $CF_3$ ,  $OCF_3$ , OH, alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms or alkoxy having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

R(2) is hydrogen;

R(3) is  $C_yH_{2y}-R(16)$ ;

y is 0, 1 or 2;

R(16) is alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl having 3, 4, 5 or 6 carbon atoms, substituted phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted pyridyl, or unsubstituted pyridyl,

where the substituted phenyl and substituted pyridyl are each independently substituted by 1 or 2 substituents chosen from F, Cl,  $CF_3$ ,  $OCF_3$ , alkyl having 1, 2 or 3 carbon atoms and alkoxy having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

10 R(4) is hydrogen;

R(5) is independently of one another chosen from F, Cl, alkyl having 1, 2, 3 carbon atoms and alkoxy having 1 or 2 carbon atoms;

R(30) and R(31)

are hydrogen;

15 or a pharmaceutically tolerable salt thereof, in an stereoisomeric form, or a mixture of any such compounds in any ratio.

9. A pharmaceutical preparation comprising an efficacious amount of at least one of the compounds of claim 1 and at least one additional component chosen from

20 pharmaceutically acceptable vehicles, pharmaceutically acceptable additives and other pharmacological active compounds.

10. A method for treating or preventing a  $K^+$  channel-mediated diseases comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of at least one compound chosen from  
25 the compounds as claimed in claim 1.

11. A method for treating or preventing cardiac arrhythmias which can be eliminated by action potential prolongation comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1.

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12. A method for treating or preventing reentry arrhythmias comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1.

5 13. A method for treating or preventing supraventricular arrhythmias comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1.

14. A method for treating or preventing atrial fibrillation or atrial flutters comprising  
10 administering to a patient an effective amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1.

15. A method for terminating atrial fibrillation or atrial flutters comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of at least one compound chosen from  
15 the compounds as claimed in claim 1.

16. A pharmaceutical preparation, comprising an efficacious amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1, at least one IKr channel blocker, and at least one additional ingredient chosen from pharmaceutically  
20 acceptable vehicles and pharmaceutically acceptable additives.

17. A pharmaceutical preparation, comprising an efficacious amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1, at least one IKs channel blocker, and at least one additional ingredient chosen from pharmaceutically  
25 acceptable vehicles and pharmaceutically acceptable additives.

18. A pharmaceutical preparation, comprising an efficacious amount of at least one compound chosen from the compounds as claimed in claim 1, at least one beta blocker, and at least one additional ingredient chosen from pharmaceutically  
30 acceptable vehicles and pharmaceutically acceptable additives.